



# Press Release

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***New Radios Needed For The Sheriff's Office***

In 2012 the Lake County Police and Fire radio system will be updated. This project has been in the process of development for the past several years. With the completion of that update all police and fire departments, including the Sheriff's Office, will need to purchase new radios for all of their personnel.

The Lake County Commissioners are dealing with difficult budgetary issues in the face of reduced funding from real estate and other taxing revenue streams. Because of the reduced income into the General Fund, they have made it clear that there are currently no monies available in the General Fund for the Sheriff's Office to purchase their radios. We understand that during these difficult economic times it is necessary to explore alternative funding for various projects.

The Sheriff's Office is currently reviewing all options, such as grants and other revenue streams, in order to meet our obligations to fund approximately \$650,000 to purchase both hand-held and base station radios for our personnel.

This is not an easy task. Because of the National economic scene alternative revenue streams, such as grants, are becoming less available, and more actively competitive. We, like all of our fellow local police and fire agencies, are struggling to fund the Lake County Sheriff's Office radios.